

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Department of Agricultural Commissioner/ Weights and Measures

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Richard K. lizuka Chief Deputy

October 20, 2015

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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ACTING EXECUTIVE OFFICER

AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY PURCHASING AGENT TO PROCEED WITH THE ACQUISTION OF A
DUAL-PROVER LARGE-VOLUME CALIBRATION VEHICLE
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS)

SUBJECT

This action authorizes the acquisition of one (1) dual-prover large-volume calibration vehicle for the Department of Agricultural Commissioner/Weights and Measures (ACWM). ACWM is mandated by California Business and Professions Code (BPC) Sections 12210 and 12212 to periodically inspect and test all commercially-used weighing and measuring devices to ensure compliance with specified tolerances and specifications.

(3 VOTES)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

Approve the acquisition of one (1) dual-prover large-volume calibration vehicle with a unit cost of \$250,000 or greater.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of this recommended action is to seek authorization to acquire one (1) dual-prover large-volume calibration vehicle for ACWM in accordance with the County of Los Angeles Equipment Policy (Policy) that the Board adopted on October 16, 2001. The Policy requires the Board's approval prior to County departments requisitioning the purchase of equipment with a unit cost of \$250,000 or greater. We are requesting Board approval to authorize ACWM to proceed with the acquisition of one (1) dual-prover large-volume calibration vehicle as noted in the enclosure. The vehicle is essential for ACWM to meet its mandate under BPC Sections 12210 and 12212. In

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particular, the vehicle would be utilized to inspect and test meters measuring the delivery of motor vehicle fuels in the loading rack area of oil refineries and other "fast flow" meter devices.

The vehicle being requested would replace an antiquated vehicle purchased in 1987 which has been designated a "low usage vehicle" in order to comply with diesel particulate matter control measures regulations. The "low usage vehicle" designation means that a vehicle can only be operated fewer than 1,000 miles per year. The vehicle being requested will comply with and meet applicable air quality and emission standards.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This action supports the County's Strategic Plan Goals of:

- Goal No. 1 (Operational Effectiveness/Fiscal Sustainability): This vehicle will facilitate ACWM in fulfilling its mandate under BPC Sections 12210 and 12212.
- Goal No. 2 (Community Support and Responsiveness): ACWM's systematic and periodic inspection and testing of commercially-used weighing and measuring devices benefits all the residents in every city and local community in Los Angeles County, as well as people who work in or visit the County.
- Goal No. 3 (Integrated Services Delivery): This vehicle will allow ACWM officials to inspect certain commercial devices, thereby protecting consumers and businesses by ensuring that equity prevails in the applicable commercial transactions involving determination of quantity.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The cost for this acquisition is estimated to be \$253,300. Financing is included in ACWM's Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Capital Assets-Equipment Budget.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

On October 16, 2001, the Board adopted a policy whereby County departments must obtain Board approval to purchase equipment with a unit cost of \$250,000 or greater prior to submitting their requisitions for purchasing.

Per South Coast Air Quality Management District Rule 1196, the Department has obtained approval to purchase one diesel-powered test measure prover truck with a gross vehicle weight rating of 33,000 pounds. A copy of the aforementioned approval is enclosed.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of this request will enable ACWM to replace an antiquated vehicle and fulfill its mandates under BPC Sections 12210 and 12212.

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Respectfully submitted,

KURT E. FLOREN

Agricultural Commissioner, Director of Weights and Measures

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Enclosures

c: Interim Chief Executive Officer County Counsel Acting Executive Officer

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June 17, 2015

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Mr. Richard Takata
Deputy Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer
Los Angeles County Agricultural Commissioner, Department of Weights & Measures
11012 Garfield Ave.
South Gate, CA 90280

Dear Mr. Takata:

Approval to Extend the Purchase Date to Purchase
One Diesel-Powered Test Measure Prover Truck, 33,000-lb GVWR

We received your request to extend the date to execute a purchase agreement for the subject vehicle which received Rule 1196 TICR approval on May 5, 2015. The approved TICR is scheduled to expire on August 3, 2015, 90-days from the signing date. Your email dated June 16, 2015 is requesting 90 additional days from this original expiration date. The TICR for this vehicle was approved per Rule 1196 (e)(1)(C) which states no alternative-fuel (including CNG, LNG, and LPG), dual-fuel, or gasoline vehicle is available from any manufacturer or could be used in a specific application.

Your request for an additional 90-day extension is approved to execute the purchase agreement for the subject vehicle, specifically one (1), test measure prover truck. Your request for a 90-day extension from August 3, 2015 is approved; the extension will expire on Monday, November 2, 2015. As a reminder, only a <u>signed</u> purchase agreement is required to satisfy the purchase date requirement of the TICR, and upon delivery of the vehicle, the Los Angeles County Agricultural Commissioner Department of Weights and Measures notifies SCAQMD of the vehicle's identification number (VIN).

The SCAQMD will continue to assist your agency with the implementation of Rule 1196 – Clean On-Road Heavy-Duty Public Fleet Vehicles. If you have any questions concerning this matter, or questions about Rule 1196, please contact me at (909) 396-2647.

Sincerely.

Dean Saito, Manager

On-Road Section, Mobile Source Division Science and Technology Advancement

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cc: David De Boer, Area Sources, SCAQMD